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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, NOVEMBER 18, 1999

APPLICATION OF

BELL ATLANTIC-VIRGINIA, INC.

CASE NO. PUC960164

For exemption from
physical collocation

ORDER EXTENDING TIME
FOR COMMENT ON PROPOSED RULES

In our October 19, 1999, "Order Permitting Response to Motions and Inviting Comments on Proposed Rules," the Commission, among other things, elicited comments from Bell Atlantic-Virginia, Inc. ("BA-VA"), and other interested parties on proposed rules governing requests for exemption from providing physical collocation pursuant to § 252(c)(6) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Comments on the proposed rules were to be filed on or before November 19, 1999. The October 19 Order and the proposed rules were published in The Virginia Register on November 8, 1999.¹ However, the Order and accompanying proposed rules were served by the Commission on only those parties of record in this docket.

To ensure that all carriers who may be affected by these proposed rules have ample notice of and opportunity to comment

¹ 16:4 VA.R. 401-403 Nov. 8, 1999.

on the proposed rules, the Commission is of the opinion that additional notice should be made by serving the proposed rules on all certificated carriers in Virginia, and the time for interested parties to file comments on the proposed rules should be extended. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The date for interested parties to file comments on the proposed rules governing requests for exemption from physical collocation is extended from November 19, 1999, to December 13, 1999.

(2) The date for BA-VA and other parties in this proceeding to file a response to the motions of the Staff and Rhythms Links Inc. - Virginia, regarding BA-VA's requested exemptions identified in our October 19, 1999, Order shall remain November 19, 1999.

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